



Robert Greene Sterne
Jorge A. Goldstein
David K.S. Cornwell
Robert W. Esmond
Tracy-Gene G. Durkin
Michele A. Cimbala
Michael B. Ray
Robert E. Sokohl
Eric K. Steffe
Michael Q. Lee
Steven R. Ludwig
John M. Covert
Linda E. Horner
Robert C. Millionig
Donald J. Featherstone
Timothy J. Shea, Jr
Michael V. Messenger
Judith U. Kim

Patrick E. Garrett
Jeffrey T. Helvey
Heidi L. Kraus
Eldora L. Ellison
Thomas C. Fiala
Donald R. Banowitz
Peter A. Jackman
Jeffrey S. Weaver
Brian J. Del Buono
Edward W. Yee
Vincent L. Capuano
Virgil Lee Beaton
Theodore A. Wood
Elizabeth J. Haanes
Joseph S. Ostroff
Frank R. Cottingham
Rae Lynn P. Guest
Daniel A. Klein

Jason D. Eisenberg
Michael D. Specht
Tracy L. Muller
Jon E. Wright
LuAnne M. DeSantis
Ann E. Summerfield
Helene C. Carlson
Cynthia M. Bouchez
Timothy A. Doyle
Gaby L. Longworth
Lori A. Gordon
Laura A. Vogel
Bryan S. Wade
Bashir M.S. Ali
Shannon A. Carroll
Matthew E. Kelley
Michelle K. Holoubek
Marsha A. Rose

Christopher J. Walsh
W. Blake Coblenz
James J. Pohl*
Young Tang
John T. Haran*
Mark W. Rygiel

Registered Patent Agents*
Karen R. Markowicz
Matthew J. Dowd
Katrina Yujian Pei Quach
Bryan L. Skelton
Robert A. Schwartzman
Victoria S. Rutherford
Simon J. Elliott
Julie A. Heider
Mita Mukherjee
Scott M. Woodhouse

Liliana Di Nola-Baron
Peter A. Socarras
Jeffrey K. Mills
Danielle L. Letting
Lori Brandes

Of Counsel
Edward J. Kessler
Kenneth C. Bass III
Marvin C. Guthrie

*Admitted only in Maryland
*Admitted only in Virginia
*Practice Limited to
Federal Agencies

August 8, 2006

WRITER'S DIRECT NUMBER:
(202) 772-8677

INTERNET ADDRESS:
RSOKOHL@SKGF.COM

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Art Unit 2135

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Appl. No. 10/617,465; Filed: July 11, 2003
For: **Security Association Updates in a Packet Load-Balanced System**
Inventors: Buer *et al.*
Our Ref: 2875.0370001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Request for Change of Attorney Docket Number;
2. Change of Correspondence Address;
3. Copy of the original executed Power of Attorney to Prosecute Applications Before the USPTO;
4. Original executed Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b); and
5. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

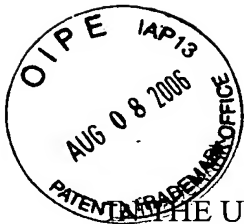
Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.


Robert Sokohl
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 36,013

RES/lam
Enclosures

565733.1



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Buer *et. al.*

Application No.: 10/617,465

Filed: July 11, 2003

For: **Security Association Updates in a
Packet Load-Balanced System**

Confirmation No.: 5029

Art Unit: 2135

Examiner: Vu, Kim Y.

Atty. Docket: 2875.0370001

Request for Change of Attorney Docket Number Pleading

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the attorney docket number for the above-captioned application be changed from "48948/SDB/B600" to -- **2875.0370001** --. Kindly use this attorney docket number in any future correspondence addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

Robert Sokohl
Attorney for Applicants
Registration No. 36,013

Date: 8/8/06

1100 New York Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20005-3934
(202) 371-2600